

REMARKS

Claims 1, 5-12, 14-17 and 21-26 are now pending in this application. Claims 1, 11, 15, 16 and 17 are independent. Claims 1, 11, 12, 15, 16 and 17 have been amended, no claims have been added, and claims 2-3 and 18-19 have been canceled by this Amendment.

No new matter is involved with any claim amendment, as support may be found throughout the originally-filed disclosure, including the originally-filed claims.

Unpatentability Rejection over Irvin et al in View of Ojard et al and Sydanmaa et al

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-2, 5-6, 10-12, 15-18, 21-22, and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Irvin et al. (US 6,381,713 B1) in view of Ojard et al. (US 6,266,350 B1) and Sydanmaa et al. (US 6,687,670) is requested. The present amendment to independent claims 1, 11, 15, 16 and 17 render all pending claims allowable.

Specifically, the allowable subject matter of claim 3 has been incorporated into independent claim 1, and the allowable subject matter of claim 19 has been incorporated into independent claim 17, thus rendering the rejection of claims 1, 5-10, 17, and 21-26 moot.

Similarly, the allowable subject matter of claim 19 has been appropriately amended into independent claims 11, 15, and 16, thus rendering the rejection of claims 11-12 and 14-16 moot. Dependent claim 12 has been appropriately amended for antecedent basis purposes due to the amendment to independent claim 11.

Specifically, the applied art, either alone or in combination, does not teach or suggest a packet radio system for transferring packet-switched data wherein, *inter alia*, "...each of the first parts comprise header fields, wherein the packet radio system is configured to use header fields for decompression, even if said conditions prevented their transmission to the upper layers", as recited in independent claim 11, as amended.

Further, the applied art, either alone or in combination, does not teach or suggest a mobile station wherein, *inter alia*, "...the first part comprises header fields and the second part comprises payload, wherein the apparatus is configured to use header fields for decompression,

even if said conditions prevented their transmission to the upper protocol layers", as recited in independent claim 15, as amended.

Finally, the applied art, either alone or in combination, does not teach or suggest a network element wherein, *inter alia*, "...the first part comprises header fields and the second part comprises payload, wherein the apparatus is configured to use header fields for decompression, even if said conditions prevented their transmission to the upper protocol layers", as recited in independent claim 16, as amended.

Accordingly, consideration and allowance of claims 1, 5-12, 14-17 and 21-26 are respectfully requested.

Unpatentability Rejection over Irvin, Ojard, and Sydanmaa in Further View of Shin

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 7, 8, 14, 23, and 24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Irvin et al., Ojard et al., and Sydanmaa et al. in view of Shin (US 6,738,634) is requested. The present amendment to independent claims 1, 11, and 17 render claims 7, 8, 14, 23, and 24 allowable.

Unpatentability Rejection over Irvin, Ojard, and Sydanmaa in View of Svanbro et al

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 9 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Irvin et al., Ojard et al., and Sydanmaa et al. in view of Svanbro (US 6,967,964) is requested. The present amendment to independent claims 1 and 17 render claims 9 and 25 allowable.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the indication that claims 3 and 19 are drawn to allowable subject matter, and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

In reliance upon the indication of allowable subject matter, the allowable subject matter of claim 3 has been incorporated into independent claim 1, and the allowable subject matter of claim

19 has been incorporated into independent claim 17, thus rendering the rejection of claims 1, 5-10, 17, and 21-26 moot.

As discussed above, the allowable subject matter of apparatus claim 19 has been appropriately amended into independent system, mobile station, and network element claims 11, 15, and 16, respectively, thus rendering the rejection of claims 11-12 and 14-16 moot.

Applicants have amended claims 1, 11, 15, 16 and 17, and cancelled claims 2-3 and 18-19 from further consideration in this application. Applicants are not conceding in this application that those claims are not patentable over the art cited by the Examiner, as the present claim amendments and cancellations are only for facilitating expeditious prosecution of the allowable subject matter noted by the examiner. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue these and other claims in one or more continuation applications.

Conclusion

All rejections having been addressed, Applicant submits that each of pending claims 1, 5-12, 14-17 and 21-26 in the present application is in immediate condition for allowance. An early indication of the same would be appreciated.

In the event the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues in this case, the Undersigned Attorney is available at the telephone number indicated below.

Although no fees are believed to be due, for any fees that are due during the pendency of this application, please charge Deposit Account Number 03-3975 from which the Undersigned Attorney is authorized to draw. The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

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